

## Future Activities for State Plan Implementation

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### Background:

The Project Development Committee will discuss project ideas to implement the TCDD State Plan. The enclosed documents provide information to assist with that discussion.

- **State Plan Projects List** — The FY 2017 – FY 2021 State Plan requires specific projects to be implemented. This list is inclusive of projects that must be developed to address goals and objectives in the plan, and provides the current status of projects already addressed.

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### Project Development Committee — Agenda Item 8

#### Expected Action:

The Project Development Committee will discuss the State Plan Projects List and provide guidance to staff for the development of new projects.

### Council — Agenda Item 11. B.

#### Expected Action:

The Council will receive a report on the Project Development Committee discussion.

## State Plan Projects List

The following tables list State Plan Objectives for which projects remain to be implemented.

### Projects Currently in Development

Objective number	Objective	Status
1.3	Develop at least five new programs that successfully support individuals with developmental disabilities to be included in post-secondary education.	Three almost completed; a project to create at least two more programs new programs is in the negotiation process.
1.4	Pilot at least one model that provides community-based, person-centered activities for people who are not employed and not in school.	Research being conducted by staff; not necessary to implement in FY17.
2.2	Collaborate with the Texas DD Network Partners to educate people about and increase the use of alternatives to guardianship.	Executive Summary approved.
3.1	Create a youth leadership training program.	8 applications received 11/30/16. Recommended proposals taken to Executive Committee 2/8/16.
3.1	Provide policy fellowships to train at least two people each year.	One Fellow funded. Request for Proposals for additional TCDD Fellows posted 9/3/16 but no applications received. Plan to repost Request for Proposals (RFP) for June 2017 due date.
3.1	Develop a plan and timeline to create a sibling network.	Executive Summary approved.
3.2	Support people with developmental disabilities to provide leadership development and advocacy skills training programs to people with developmental disabilities each year (community-based and institutional settings).	Executive Summary for Developmental Disabilities Peer Support Specialists (community-based) approved. Project to provide training to people institutions TBD.

## Objectives Required to be Implemented Each Year

Objective number	Objective	Status
3.2	Support people with developmental disabilities to provide leadership development and advocacy training. (required objective)	Grassroots Community Organizing project in progress until 2018.
3.3	Collaborate with at least one statewide self-advocacy network to increase their capacity to pursue their mission. (required objective)	Continue to collaborate with Texas Advocates, but additional activities targeted to increasing their capacity needed.
3.1	Support the participation of people living in rural areas and people who self-identify as having a racial or ethnic minority background in TCDD leadership and advocacy projects. (required objective)	no data
3.4	Support self-advocates and family members to participate in cross-disability, culturally diverse leadership coalitions. (required objective)	Offer stipends to participate in statewide workgroups. May need new project in FY 2018.

## Objectives that must be Implemented by Fiscal Year 2021

Objective number	Objective	Status
1.2	Create training and information for people who have developmental disabilities and families on financial literacy, SSI/SSDI and benefits.	One project in progress; one TBD
1.6	Pilot at least one program to provide community-based person-centered supports for people with complex medical and/or behavioral health needs, including mental health needs.	no data
1.8	Implement at least three projects to address specific needs of individuals with developmental disabilities who identify with a specific minority culture(s).	Two in progress. Outreach and Development RFP ongoing
1.9	Pilot at least one practice to address the needs of people with developmental disabilities who are aging and their caregivers.	no data
1.10	Pilot at least practice that supports organizations that serve the general public to improve how they include and are responsive to the needs of people with developmental disabilities.	
2.2	Collaborate with the DD Network Partners to promote the use of person-centered practices.	no data
2.3	Collaborate with at least three community-based organizations to reduce linguistic and cultural barriers experienced by individuals who are Spanish-speaking.	Possibly a staff activity.
3.1	Provide financial support for at least four general leadership development and advocacy skills training programs.	Three have started; one additional grantee to be selected.

# **Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities**

## **FY 2017-2021 Five-Year State Plan Goals and Objectives**

### **Goal 1:**

Create and support promising practices that enable people with developmental disabilities to be fully included in their communities and to have control over their own lives by 9/30/2021.

**Objective 1.1:** Demonstrate at least three models that support people with disabilities to have employment of their choice by 9/31/2018.

- Texas Tech — Project SEARCH
- Educational Programs Inspiring Communities/HEART — Enabling Technology (Inventory Tracking System)
- Strategic Education Solutions — Enabling Technology (Web-based virtual job coach application)

**Objective 1.2:** Implement two programs to provide training and information to people who have developmental disabilities and their families on financial literacy, SSI/SSDI and health benefits by 1/1/2021.

- National Disability Institute (NDI) — Understanding Employment Options and Supports
- TBD — not necessary to be implemented in Year 1

**Objective 1.3:** Develop at least five new programs that demonstrate success at supporting individuals with developmental disabilities to be more fully included in post—secondary education by 5/31/2021.

- Texas Tech — Project CASE
- Texas A&M — Bridge to Career in Human Service
- DARS — Project HIRE
- Higher Education Collaborative — Texas A&M
- TBD

**Objective 1.4:** Pilot at least one new model that provides community—based person—centered activities for people with developmental disabilities who are not employed and not in school by 9/30/2021.

- TBD — not necessary to be implemented in Year 1

**Objective 1.5:** Demonstrate at least three new models that support individuals with disabilities to improve or maintain their health by 3/31/2018.

- Any Baby Can — Any Body Can
- Epilepsy Foundation — Get FIT Texas
- Statewide Independent Living Council — Getting Fit to Live, Work, and Play

**Objective 1.6:** Pilot at least one new community — based person — centered practice that ensures that people with complex medical and/or behavioral health needs, including mental health needs, receive appropriate and timely services by 9/30/2021.

- TBD — not necessary to be implemented in Year 1

**Objective 1.7:** Each year of the plan, provide support to stakeholders to participate in transportation planning activities that increase mobility and availability of accessible transportation.

- Statewide Independent Living Council — Transportation Works

**Objective 1.8:** Implement at least three projects that address specific needs of individuals with developmental disabilities who identify with a specific minority culture(s) by 9/30/2021.

- Light and Salt Association – Culturally Appropriate Family Supports
- Reaching Families Advocacy and Support Group – Culturally Appropriate Family Supports
- Outreach and Development (Grantees TBD)

**Objective 1.9:** Pilot at least one practice that addresses the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities who are aging, and their caregivers by 9/30/2021.

- TBD

**Objective 1.10:** Pilot at least one practice that supports organizations, agencies, groups, or individuals that provide services to the general public to fully include and be responsive to the needs of people with developmental disabilities by 9/30/2021.

- TBD

## **Goal 2:**

Improve and/or expand community — based systems to better support people with developmental disabilities or families of children with developmental disabilities to be fully included in their communities by 9/30/2021.

**Objective 2.1:** Each year of the plan, promote systems that will sustain the policies and programs that demonstrate success in supporting people with developmental disabilities or families of people with developmental disabilities to be fully included in their communities.

**Objective 2.2:** Collaborate with the Texas Developmental Disabilities Network Partners

(the Center on Disability and Development at Texas A&M University, the Texas Center for Disability Studies at The University of Texas at Austin, and Disability Rights Texas) to promote person — centered practices and educate people with developmental disabilities and their families about, and increase the use of, alternatives to guardianship by 9/30/2021.

- Alternatives to Guardianship training project

**Objective 2.3:** Collaborate with at least three community — based organizations to reduce linguistic and cultural barriers that prevent individuals who are Spanish — speaking from receiving services by 9/30/2021.

- TBD – not necessary to be implemented in Year 1

**Objective 2.4:** Each year of the plan, advocate for legislative/policy change to improve educational outcomes and remove barriers to full-time or part-time employment for people with developmental disabilities.

### **Goal 3:**

Increase the access that individuals with developmental disabilities and families of individuals with developmental disabilities have to information, training, and support to advocate for themselves and/or to collaborate with allies to impact public policy, service systems, and community supports.

**Objective 3.1:** Support at least nine leadership development and advocacy skills training programs for people with disabilities, family members of people with disabilities, and allies by 9/30/2021.

- Youth Leadership (grantee TBD)
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- Family to Family- Leadership Development and Advocacy Training
- Paso Del Norte Children’s Center - Leadership Development and Advocacy Training
- Easter Seals Central Texas - Leadership Development and Advocacy Training
- Leadership Development and Advocacy Training (grantee TBD)
- Partners in Policymaking (contractor TBD)
- Support for people underserved or unserved - Leadership Development and Advocacy Training (grantees and activities TBD)
- Sibling Network
- TCDD Policy Fellowships

**Objective 3.2:** Support people with developmental disabilities to provide leadership development and advocacy skills training programs to people with developmental disabilities each year.

- Texas Advocates - Grassroots Community Organizing
- Self-Advocates as Mentors/Trainers to People in Institutions (grantee(s) TBD)
- Peer Support Specialist (grantee TBD)

**Objective 3.3:** Collaborate with at least one statewide self-advocacy organization run by people with developmental disabilities to create opportunities to increase their ability to strengthen their organization and pursue their mission by 9/30/2021.

- TBD

**Objective 3.4:** Support self-advocates and family members to participate in cross — disability, culturally diverse leadership coalitions each year.

- Stipends to support self-advocates and family members on boards and committees

#### **Goal 4:**

Ensure there is ongoing support and technical assistance for the Council to identify and engage in issues according to the Council's priorities and mission.

**Objective 4.1:** Each year of the plan, provide written and/or verbal public policy input on behalf of TCDD regarding issues that impact the lives of people with developmental disabilities and their families.

**Objective 4.2:** Each year of the plan, organize and conduct communications activities to increase connections to organizations and individuals.

**Objective 4.3:** Each year of the plan, evaluate and/or address opportunities to develop or incorporate new promising practices that would improve TCDD's ability to achieve the Council's mission.